how to lead Medicine ceremonies. He also received many Teachings from his stepfather's friends and from his own neighbors, respected leaders like Sun Chief, Big Wolf, and Packs His Tail. The Old Man was one of the last of our People to know the Spirit of these ancient Teachings. For that reason he was happy to have me as "grandson" and student. It pleased him to know that many of those Teachings are now written down for people who are yet unborn. "I sometimes wonder," he told me, "why our Old People never learned to read and write their own languages, so that they could have passed on all their wonderful knowledge of the old-time world." 115 793 829 [123]

Wolf Old Man was noted among our People for his knowledge of herbs and his methods of doctoring. He was the last of our old-time doctors. However, it was his spiritual leadership of which he was most proud. He enjoyed telling about a recent incident that occurred while he was returning home from a holy ceremony held on the reservation of our Piegan division, in nearby Browning, Montana. It was Sunday evening, a time when some members of our reserve return home with U.S. spirits tucked under their car seats or stored in their stomachs. In Canada, liquor is not sold on Sundays. The car in which the Old Man was riding was filled with others who had gone to the ceremony. When they reached the Canadian customs office, the men in charge prepared to make their usual inspection. But when the chief inspector looked inside and saw the Old Man, he called out to his assistant, "It's alright, we don't have to check this one—he's the Indian Bishop!" 793 [756] [759] 486 [273]

Some time before us, the Old Man had been Keeper of our Medicine Pipe Bundle for ten years. Most of the Teachings he passed on to us concern this Bundle. Although he was the oldest leader of Medicine Pipe ceremonies among our People, he never learned all the fifty-six songs that were sung during these ceremonies in the Old Days; his own Teacher, old Heavy Head, very slow and thorough, had passed away before finish- 793 778 [533] [867]